Senate Amendment 3144

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            Amend Senate File 408 as follows:
            #1. By striking everything after the enacting
     3 clause and inserting the following:
4 NEW SECTION. 135.131 INTERAGENCY
       PHARMACEUTICALS BULK PURCHASING COUNCIL.
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        1. For the purposes of this section, "interagency pharmaceuticals bulk purchasing council" or "council"
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     8 means the interagency pharmaceuticals bulk purchasing 9 council created in this section.
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            2. An interagency pharmaceuticals bulk purchasing
  1 11 council is created within the Iowa department of
  1 12 public health. The department shall provide staff
  1 13 support to the council and the department of 1 14 pharmaceutical care of the university of Iowa
  1 15 hospitals and clinics shall act in an advisory
  1 16 capacity to the council. The council shall be 1 17 composed of all of the following members:
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          a. The director of public health, or the
  1 19 director's designee.
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           b. The director of human services, or the
  1 21 director's designee.
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           c. The director of the department of personnel, or
    23 the director's designee.
           d. A representative of the state board of regents.
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               The director of the department of corrections,
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           f. The director, or the director's designee, of
  1 28 any other agency that purchases pharmaceuticals
  1 29 designated to be included as a member by the director
    30 of public health.
            3. The council shall select a chairperson annually
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  1 32 from its membership. A majority of the members of the
  1 33 council shall constitute a quorum.
1 34 4. The council shall do all of the following:
            a. Develop procedures that member agencies must
  1 36 follow in purchasing pharmaceuticals. However, a
  1 37 member agency may elect not to follow the council's 1 38 procedures if the agency is able to purchase the
  1 39 pharmaceuticals for a lower price than the price
  1 40 available through the council. An agency that does 1 41 not follow the council's procedures shall report all
  1 42 of the following to the council:
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  1 45 manufacturer selling the pharmaceuticals.
           b. Designate a member agency as the central
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    47 purchasing agency for purchasing of pharmaceuticals.
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  1 49 wholesale and retail distributors, to distribute the
    50 pharmaceuticals.
          d. Investigate options that maximize purchasing
     2 power, including expanding purchasing under the
     3 medical assistance program, qualifying for 4 participation in purchasing programs under 42 U.S.C. }
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     5 256b, as amended, and utilizing rebate programs,
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     6 hospital disproportionate share purchasing, multistate
     7 purchasing alliances, and health department and
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     8 federally qualified health center purchasing.
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            e. In collaboration with the department of
    10 pharmaceutical care of the university of Iowa 11 hospitals and clinics, make recommendations to member
  2 12 agencies regarding drug utilization review, prior
    13 authorization, the use of restrictive formularies, the
  2 14 use of mail order programs, and copayment structures.
  2 15 This paragraph shall not apply to the medical
  2 16 assistance program but only to the operations of the
    17 member agencies.
18 5. The central purchasing agency may enter into
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  2 19 agreements with a local governmental entity to
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2 21 entity. The council shall develop procedures under 2 22 6. 2 23 which the council may disclose information relating to 2 24 the prices manufacturers or wholesalers charge for

20 purchase pharmaceuticals for the local governmental

2 25 pharmaceuticals by category of pharmaceutical. 2 26 procedure shall prohibit the council from disclosing 2 27 information that identifies a specific manufacturer or 2 28 wholesaler or the prices charged by a specific 2 29 manufacturer or wholesaler for a specific 2 30 pharmaceutical.

Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 135C.31A ASSESSMENT OF 32 RESIDENTS == PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY.

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Beginning July 1, 2003, a health care facility 34 receiving reimbursement through the medical assistance 35 program under chapter 249A shall assist the Iowa 36 commission of veterans affairs in determining, prior 37 to the initial admission of a resident, the 38 prospective resident's eligibility for benefits 39 through the federal department of veterans affairs. 40 The health care facility shall also assist the Iowa 41 commission of veterans affairs in determining such 2 42 eligibility for residents residing in the facility on 2 43 July 1, 2003. The department of inspections and 44 appeals, in cooperation with the department of human 2 45 services, shall adopt rules to administer this 2 46 section, including a provision that ensures that if a 47 resident is eligible for benefits through the federal 48 department of veterans affairs or other third=party 49 payor, the payor of last resort for reimbursement to 50 the health care facility is the medical assistance 1 program. This section shall not apply to the admission of an individual to a state mental health 3 institute for acute psychiatric care.

Sec. 3. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 249A.20A PREFERRED DRUG LIST PROGRAM.

- The department shall establish and implement a 1. preferred drug list program under the medical 8 assistance program. The department shall submit a 9 medical assistance state plan amendment to the centers 3 10 for Medicare and Medicaid services of the United 11 States department of health and human services, no 12 later than May 1, 2003, to implement the program.
- 2. a. A medical assistance pharmaceutical and 3 14 therapeutics committee shall be established within the 3 15 department by July 1, 2003, for the purpose of 3 16 developing and providing ongoing review of the 3 17 preferred drug list.
- (1) The members of the committee shall be 3 19 appointed by the governor and shall include health 3 20 care professionals who possess recognized knowledge and expertise in one or more of the following:
- (a) The clinically appropriate prescribing of 3 23 covered outpatient drugs.
 - The clinically appropriate dispensing and 25 monitoring of covered outpatient drugs.
 - (C) Drug use review, evaluation, and intervention.
 - Medical quality assurance. (d)
- The membership of the committee shall be (2) comprised of at least one third but not more than 3 30 fifty=one percent licensed and actively practicing 3 31 physicians and at least one third licensed and 32 actively practicing pharmacists.
- The members shall be appointed to terms of two 3 34 years. Members may be appointed to more than one 35 term. The department shall provide staff support to 36 the committee. Committee members shall select a 3 37 chairperson and vice chairperson annually from the 3 38 committee membership.
- The pharmaceutical and therapeutics committee 3 40 shall recommend a preferred drug list to the 41 department. The committee shall develop the preferred 42 drug list by considering each drug's clinically 43 meaningful therapeutic advantages in terms of safety, 44 effectiveness, and clinical outcome. The committee 45 shall use evidence=based research methods in selecting 46 the drugs to be included on the preferred drug list. 3 47 The committee shall periodically review all drug 48 classes included on the preferred drug list and may 49 amend the list to ensure that the list provides for 50 medically appropriate drug therapies for medical 1 assistance recipients and achieves cost savings to the 2 medical assistance program. The department may 3 procure a sole source contract with an outside entity 4 or contractor to provide professional administrative

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6 committee in researching and recommending drugs to be placed on the preferred drug list.

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- 4. With the exception of drugs prescribed for the 9 treatment of human immunodeficiency virus or acquired 4 10 immune deficiency syndrome, transplantation, or cancer 4 11 and drugs prescribed for mental illness with the 4 12 exception of drugs and drug compounds that do not have 4 13 a significant variation in a therapeutic profile or 4 14 side affect profile within a therapeutic class, 4 15 prescribing and dispensing of prescription drugs not 4 16 included on the preferred drug list shall be subject 4 17 to prior authorization.
- 4 18 5. The department may negotiate supplemental 4 19 rebates from manufacturers that are in addition to 4 20 those required by Title XIX of the federal Social 4 21 Security Act. The committee shall consider a product 4 22 for inclusion on the preferred drug list if the 23 manufacturer provides a supplemental rebate. 4 24 department may procure a sole source contract with an 4 25 outside entity or contractor to conduct negotiations 26 for supplemental rebates.
- 6. The department shall publish and disseminate 4 28 the preferred drug list to all medical assistance
- 4 29 providers in this state. 4 30 7. Until such time as the pharmaceutical and 4 31 therapeutics committee is operational, the department 4 32 shall adopt and utilize a preferred drug list 4 33 developed by a midwestern state that has received 4 34 approval for its medical assistance state plan 4 35 amendment from the centers for Medicare and Medicaid 36 services of the United States department of health and 4 37 human services.
- 8. The department may procure a sole source 4 39 contract with an outside entity or contactor to 4 40 participate in a pharmaceutical pooling program with 4 41 midwestern or other states to provide for an enlarged 4 42 pool of individuals for the purchase of pharmaceutical 4 43 products and services for medical assistance 4 44 recipients.
- 9. The department may adopt administrative rules 4 46 under section 17A.4, subsection 2, and section 17A.5, 4 47 subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement this 4 48 section.
 - 10. Any savings realized under this section may be 50 used to the extent necessary to pay the costs 1 associated with implementation of this section prior 2 to reversion to the medical assistance program. 3 department shall report the amount of any savings 4 realized and the amount of any costs paid to the 5 legislative fiscal committee on a quarterly basis.
 - Sec. 4. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 249A.20B NURSING FACILITY QUALITY ASSURANCE ASSESSMENT.
 - 1. The department may assess nursing facilities a 9 quality assurance assessment not to exceed six percent 10 of the total annual revenue of the facility.
- The department of human services shall submit a 5 11 5 12 medical assistance state plan amendment to the centers 5 13 for Medicare and Medicaid services of the United 5 14 States department of health and human services to 5 15 effectuate the nursing facility quality assurance 5 16 assessment.
- 3. The department of human services shall submit 5 17 5 18 an application to the secretary of the United States 5 19 department of health and human services to request a 20 waiver of the uniform tax requirement pursuant to 42 21 U.S.C. } 1396b(w)(3)(E) and 42 C.F.R. } 433.68(e)(2). 22 4. The quality assurance assessment shall be paid 5 21 U.S.C.
- 23 to the department in equal monthly amounts on or 24 before the fifteenth day of each month. The 5 25 department may deduct the monthly assessment amount 26 from medical assistance payments to a nursing 27 facility. The amount deducted from payments shall not 5 28 exceed the total amount of the fee due.
 - 5. Revenue generated from the quality assurance 30 assessment shall be deposited in the senior living 31 trust fund created in section 249H.4. The revenues The revenues 32 shall only be used for services for which federal 33 financial participation under the medical assistance 34 program is available to match state funds.
 - 6. If federal financial participation to match the 36 assessments made under subsection 1 becomes

5 37 unavailable under federal law, the department shall 5 38 terminate the imposition of the assessment beginning 5 39 on the date that the federal statutory, regulatory, or 5 40 interpretive change takes effect.

7. The department may procure a sole source 5 42 contract to implement the provisions of this section.

- 8. For the purposes of this section, "nursing 44 facility" means nursing facility as defined in section 5 45 135C.1, excluding residential care facilities and 5 46 nursing facilities that are operated by the state.
- 5 47 9. The department may adopt administrative rules 5 48 under section 17A.4, subsection 2, and section 17A.5, 49 subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement this 50 section.
 - Sec. 5. NEW SECTION. 249A.29A HOME AND 2 COMMUNITY=BASED SERVICES WAIVER == ELIGIBILITY 3 DETERMINATIONS.

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- 1. A level of care eligibility determination of an 5 individual seeking approval by the department to 6 receive services under a waiver shall be completed 7 only by a person not participating as a provider of 8 services under a waiver. For the purposes of this 9 section, "provider" and "waiver" mean provider and 10 waiver as defined in section 249A.29.
- 2. Funds appropriated to the department of elder 6 12 affairs for the purpose of conducting level of care 6 13 eligibility determinations shall be transferred and 6 14 made available to the department of human services.
- 3. The department of human services may procure a 6 16 sole source contract with an outside entity or 17 contractor to conduct level=of=care eligibility 6 18 determinations.
- 4. The department may adopt administrative rules 6 20 under section 17A.4, subsection 2, and section 17A.5, 6 21 subsection 2, paragraph "b", to implement this 6 22 section.
- Sec. 6. Section 249B.3, subsection 1, unnumbered 24 paragraph 1, Code 2003, is amended to read as follows: The department may shall issue a notice 6 26 establishing and demanding payment of an accrued or 27 accruing spousal support debt due and owing to the 28 department. The notice shall be served upon the 6 29 community spouse in accordance with the rules of civil 6 30 procedure. The notice shall include all of the
- Sec. 7. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM == 6 33 PHARMACEUTICALS == RECIPIENT REQUIREMENTS.
- 1. The department of human services shall 6 35 reimburse pharmacy dispensing fees using a single rate 6 36 of \$4.26 per prescription or the pharmacy's usual and
- 6 37 customary fee, whichever is lower.
 6 38 2. The department of human services shall require 6 39 recipients of medical assistance to pay the following 6 40 copayment on each prescription filled for a covered 41 prescription drug, including on each refill of such 6 42 prescription, as follows:
- a. A copayment of \$1 for each covered generic 6 44 prescription drug.
- b. A copayment of 50 cents for each covered brand= 6 46 name prescription drug for which the cost to the state 6 47 is \$10 or less.
- A copayment of \$1 for each covered brand=name 6 49 prescription drug for which the cost to the state is 6 50 more than \$10 and up to and including \$25.
 - d. A copayment of \$2 for each covered brand=name 2 prescription drug for which the cost to the state is 3 more than \$25 and up to and including \$50.
 - e. A copayment of \$3 for each covered brand=name 5 prescription drug for which the cost to the state is 6 over \$50.
 - The department of human services shall 3. establish an ingredient reimbursement basis equal to 9 the average wholesale price minus 12 percent for 10 pharmacy reimbursement for prescription drugs under 11 the medical assistance program.
- 7 12 The department of human services shall 4. a. 13 continue the sole source contract relative to the 14 state maximum allowable cost (SMAC) program as 7 15 authorized in 2001 Iowa Acts, chapter 191, section 31, 7 16 subsection 1, paragraph "b", subparagraph (5). The 7 17 department shall expand the state maximum allowable

7 18 cost program for prescription drugs to the greatest 7 19 extent possible as determined under the contract.

7 20 Pharmacies and providers that are enrolled in 7 21 the medical assistance program shall make available 7 22 drug acquisition cost information, product 23 availability information, and other information deemed 24 necessary by the department for the determination of 25 reimbursement rates and the efficient operation of the 26 pharmacy benefit. Pharmacies and providers shall 27 produce and submit the requested information in the 28 manner and format requested by the department or its 29 designee at no cost to the department or designee. 30 Pharmacies and providers shall submit information to 31 the department or its designee within thirty days 32 following receipt of a request for information unless 33 the department or its designee grants an extension 34 upon written request of the pharmacy or provider. 35

The state maximum allowable cost shall be 36 established at the average wholesale acquisition cost 37 for a prescription drug and all equivalent products, 38 adjusted by a multiplier of 1.4. The department shall 7 39 update the state maximum allowable cost every two 7 40 months, or more often if necessary, to ensure adequate 41 product availability.

d. The department shall review its current method 43 for determining which prescription drugs are to be 7 44 included in the SMAC program and shall adjust the 7 45 method to maximize the cost savings realized through 7 46 the SMAC program.

e. The department shall report any savings 48 realized through the SMAC program to the legislative 49 fiscal committee on a monthly basis.

5. The department of human services shall require recipients of medical assistance to pay a copayment of \$3 for each physician office visit.

6. The department of human services shall maximize 4 expansion of prior authorization of prescription drugs 5 under the medical assistance program beyond the 25 6 current categories of medications.

7. The department of human services shall establish a fixed=fee reimbursement schedule for home health agencies under the medical assistance program.

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HOME AND COMMUNITY=BASED SERVICES WAIVERS 8 13 CONSOLIDATION == BUDGET NEUTRALITY. It is the intent 8 14 of the general assembly that the consolidation of home 15 and community=based services waivers by the department 8 16 of human services be designed in a manner that does 8 17 not result in additional cost, with the exception of 8 18 any services added to the waivers through legislative 8 19 enactment. The department of human services shall 8 20 submit an initial report regarding the cost neutrality 8 21 and status of the waiver consolidation to the legislative fiscal committee no later than January 31, 8 23 2004, and a subsequent report no later than July 31, 8 24 2004.

NURSING FACILITY REIMBURSEMENT Sec. 9. 26 Notwithstanding 2001 Iowa Acts, chapter 192, section 27 4, subsection 2, paragraph "c", and subsection 3, 28 paragraph "a", subparagraph (2), if projected state 29 fund expenditures for reimbursement of nursing 8 30 facilities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 8 31 in accordance with the reimbursement rate specified in 8 32 2001 Iowa Acts, chapter 192, section 4, subsection 2, 8 33 paragraph "c", exceeds \$147,252,856, the department 8 34 shall adjust the inflation factor of the reimbursement 35 rate calculation to provide reimbursement within the 36 amount projected.

UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT AND TARGETED Sec. 10. 38 AUDITS.

- The department of human services shall conduct 8 40 ongoing review of recipients and providers of medical 8 41 assistance services to determine the appropriateness 42 of the scope, duration, and utilization of services. 43 If inappropriate usage is identified, the department 44 shall implement procedures necessary to restrict 8 45 utilization.
- The department of human services shall conduct 8 46 8 47 a review of selected medical assistance services 8 48 categories and providers for state fiscal years

 $8\ 49$ beginning July 1, 2001, July 1, 2002, and July 1, $8\ 50\ 2003$. The review shall include intense data analysis 1 to test compliance with rules, regulations, and 2 policies and selected on=site audits.

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- 3. The review required under subsection 2 shall 4 attempt to identify any incorrectly paid billings or claims for the state medical assistance program. inappropriate payments are identified, provider billings shall be adjusted accordingly. If there is 8 substantiated evidence to suggest fraudulent activity, the department shall submit the audit data regarding 10 the medical assistance provider or recipient to the 11 department of inspections and appeals for further 12 action.
- The department of human services may procure a 9 14 sole source contract to implement the provisions of 9 15 this section.
- Any savings realized under this section may be 9 17 used to the extent necessary to pay the costs 9 18 associated with implementation of this section prior 19 to reversion to the medical assistance program. 20 department shall report the amount of any savings 21 realized and the amount of any costs paid to the 22 chairpersons of the joint appropriations subcommittee 23 on health and human services.

Sec. 11. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE == CERTAIN PUBLICLY 25 OWNED HOSPITALS == PHYSICIAN SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS.

- 1. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, 27 for each fiscal year thereafter, the department of 28 human services shall institute a supplemental payment 29 adjustment applicable to physician services provided 30 to medical assistance recipients at publicly owned 31 acute care teaching hospitals. The adjustment shall 32 generate supplemental payments to physicians which are 33 equal to the difference between the physician's charge 34 and the physician's fee schedule under the medical 35 assistance program. To the extent of the supplemental 35 assistance program. 36 payments, a qualifying hospital shall, after receipt 37 of the payments, transfer to the department of human 38 services an amount equal to the actual supplemental 39 payments that were made in that month. The department 40 of human services shall deposit these payments in the 41 department's medical assistance account. 42 department of human services shall amend the medical 43 assistance state plan as necessary to implement this 44 section. The department may adopt emergency rules to 9 45 implement this section.
 - 46 2. The department may use any savings realized 47 under this section to the extent necessary to pay the 48 costs associated with implementation of this section 49 prior to reversion to the medical assistance program. 50 The department shall report the amount of any savings 1 realized and the amount of any costs paid to the chairpersons of the joint appropriations subcommittee 2 on health and human services.
- The department of human services shall, in any 5 compilation of data or other report distributed to the public concerning payments to providers under the medical assistance program, set forth reimbursements 8 to physicians of the university of Iowa college of medicine through supplemental adjustments as a 10 10 separate item and shall not include such payments in 10 11 the amounts otherwise reported as the reimbursement to 10 12 a physician for services to medical assistance 10 13 recipients.

CHRONIC CARE MANAGEMENT. Sec. 12.

- 1. The department of human services shall 10 16 aggressively pursue chronic disease management in order to improve care and reduce costs under the 10 18 medical assistance program.
- 2. The department of human services, in 10 20 cooperation with the department's fiscal agent and in 10 21 consultation with a chronic care management resource 10 22 group, shall profile medical assistance recipients 23 within a select number of disease diagnosis 10 24 categories. The assessment shall focus on those 10 25 diagnosis areas that present the greatest opportunity 10 26 for impact to improved care and cost reduction.
- 10 27 3. The department of human services, in 10 28 consultation with a chronic care management resource 10 29 group, shall conduct a chronic disease management

10 30 pilot project for a select number of individuals who 10 31 are participants in the medical assistance program. 10 32 The project shall focus on a select number of chronic 10 33 diseases which may include congestive heart failure, 10 34 diabetes, and asthma. The initial pilot project shall 10 35 be implemented by October 1, 2003. 10 36

4. The department of human services shall issue a 10 37 request for proposals or otherwise solicit bids from 10 38 potential vendors to manage individuals with select 10 39 chronic diseases following the conclusion of the 10 40 profiling of medical assistance recipients. 10 41 management of chronic diseases for individuals under 10 42 this subsection may be coordinated with the pilot 10 43 project established in subsection 3.

The department of human services shall amend 10 45 the medical assistance state plan and seek any waivers 10 46 necessary from the centers for Medicare and Medicaid services of the United States department of health and

10 48 human services to implement this section.

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- 10 49 6. The department of human services shall submit a 10 50 progress report regarding chronic disease management 1 measures undertaken pursuant to this section to the governor and the general assembly by November 1, 2003. The report shall include recommendations regarding incorporating chronic disease management programming into the medical assistance system and the potential 6 improvements in care and reductions in costs that may be obtained through chronic disease management.
 - 7. The department of human services may adopt emergency rules to implement this section.
- 8. Any savings realized under this section may be 11 11 used as necessary to pay the costs associated with 11 12 implementation of this section prior to reversion to 11 13 the medical assistance program. The department shall 11 14 report the amount of any savings realized and the 11 15 amount of any costs paid to the chairpersons of the 11 16 joint appropriations subcommittee on health and human 11 17 services.

Sec. 13. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE.

- Section 249A.20B, as enacted in this Act, shall 11 20 not take effect unless the department of human 11 21 services receives approval of both the medical 11 22 assistance state plan amendment from the centers for 11 23 Medicare and Medicaid services of the United States 11 24 department of health and human services to effectuate 11 25 the nursing facility quality assurance assessment and 11 26 of the application to the secretary of the United 27 States department of health and human services for a 11 28 waiver of the uniform tax requirement pursuant to 42 11 29 U.S.C. $\}$ 1396b(w)(3)(E) and 42 C.F.R. $\}$ 433.68(e)(2) 11 30 If both approvals are received, section 249A.20B shall 11 31 take effect upon the date that both approvals have 11 32 been received by the department and the department 11 33 shall notify the Code editor of the date of receipt of 11 34 the approvals.
- 2. If both approvals described in subsection 1 are 11 36 not received by June 30, 2004, the section of this Act enacting section 249A.20B shall not take effect.

Sec. 14. EFFECTIVE DATES.

- 1. The section of this Act enacting section
- 249A.20A takes effect upon enactment.
 2. The portion of the section of this Act relating 11 42 to the state maximum allowable cost (SMAC) program, 11 43 being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect 11 44 upon enactment.
- 3. The section of this Act relating to physician 11 46 supplemental payments at certain publicly owned 11 47 hospitals, being deemed of immediate importance, takes 11 48 effect upon enactment.
- The section of this Act relating to chronic 11 50 disease management, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 12 12 5. The portions of the section of this Act enacting section 249A.20B relating to directing the 12 12 department of human services to submit a medical 12 assistance state plan amendment to the centers for 12 6 Medicare and Medicaid services of the United States 12 department of health and human services to effectuate 8 the nursing facility quality assurance assessment and 9 directing the department of human services to submit 12 12 10 an application to the secretary of the United States

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